Finance Cluster

Financial Analysts



Do you get psyched about stocks and bonds? Is the business section the first place you flip to in the Sunday paper? If so, then you should think about becoming a financial analyst. Your main responsibility will be spotting stock market trends and keeping tabs on up-and-coming companies. You'll also make predictions about the economic health of various industries. Why? So you can help businesses make good investment decisions.

If you are interested in a career guiding businesses' investment decisions, a career as a **financial analyst** may be for you.

Financial analysts help businesses and other organizations come up with investment strategies to meet their financial goals.

Planning, services for financial and investment planning, banking, insurance and business financial management.

Are You Ready To...?

- Make sense of financial information
- Write long reports using statistics
- Follow the stock market
- Investigate new companies
- Meet and consult with clients daily
- Learn about new mutual funds and other financial products

It Helps To Be...

An organized person who loves to work with numbers. As a financial analyst, you'll be strategizing with clients all the time. Therefore, problem -solving skills, quick thinking and the ability to communicate are key.

A Day In The Life...

- Advise clients on financial matters
- Analyze financial data
- Analyze market conditions
- Compute financial data
- Conduct financial investigations
- Analyze social or economic data
- Follow tax laws or regulations

Salary and Opportunity in the Austin-area

Median Hourly Wage: \$38.32

That comes out to more than \$79,706 a year.

In 2016, we had 2,254 Financial Analysts. By 2026, we'll need 2,613.

Could you be one of the **359**?

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After High School...

In addition to a high school diploma, many employers look for financial analysts with at least a **bachelor's degree**. A **master's degree** is a plus.



Top 5 Industries for Financial Analysts

- 1. Other Financial Investment Activities
- 2. Depository Credit Intermediation
- 3. Management of Companies and Enterprises
- 4. Insurance Carriers
- 5. Securities and Commodity Contracts Intermediation and Brokerage

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Related College Majors

- Accounting
- Applied Mathematics
- Business Administration and Management
- Economics
- Finance
- Statistics

Related Industry Certifications

- Associate, Annuity Products & Administration
- Associate, Financial Services Institute
- Associate, Insurance Regulatory Compliance
- Associate, Reinsurance Administration

Related Careers

- Actuaries
- Economists
- Financial Managers
- Insurance Sales Agents
- Management Accountants and Internal Auditors
- Personal Financial Advisors

